

**Fw: UEC Goliad****Ray Leissner** to: Philip Dellinger, Michael Overbay

12/05/2012 08:51 AM

From: Ray Leissner/R6/USEPA/US

To: Philip Dellinger/R6/USEPA/US@EPA, Michael Overbay/R6/USEPA/US@EPA

My shrink and my shrink's shrink are missing!! Where is a couch when you need one? My hair, what is left of it, is simply too short to pull out!! AAaahHHH!!

Ray Leissner, Env. Eng.
Ground Water / UIC Section (6WQ-SG)
(214) 665 - 7183
USEPA, Region 6

The FIRST STEP in protecting your ground water is to have your well tested.

----- Forwarded by Ray Leissner/R6/USEPA/US on 12/05/2012 08:35 AM -----

From: Wren Stenger/R6/USEPA/US

To: "Stacey Dwyer" <dwyer.stacey@epa.gov>, Philip Dellinger/R6/USEPA/US@EPA, Ray Leissner/R6/USEPA/US@EPA, David Gillespie/R6/USEPA/US@EPA

Cc: "Bill Honker" <honker.william@epa.gov>, "Ben Harrison" <harrison.ben@epa.gov>

Date: 12/05/2012 08:02 AM

Subject: UEC Goliad

Congratulations on completing the UEC project. I know this was a challenge, but you were patient and diligent and used the process to complete the task. You confronted a change in past practice for using pump tests and modeling to assess the aquifer exemption and the drinking water wells. When that information was not forthcoming, you poured over volumes of available data to tease out an alternative scientific basis that proved up protection for drinking water. You proved the industry, the state, and the local officials for data and information to help develop the geologic history and use of the exemption area. You worked closely with our state and HQs counterparts to meet the national standards and guidance for the UIC program, while addressing the local, social, and political waves that seemed at times to envelop the project. Even in the face of uncooperative industry representatives who felt entitled to special treatment and exerted that influence frequently, you stayed the course and maintained your technical integrity. Your undaunted spirit to protection of drinking water and the future of the program ensured all technical, feasible, and appropriate actions were taken, resulting in the right decisions. Thanks again for your tremendous commitment and contributions to the program. Job well done!